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SUBJECT: SAUVAGNARGUES-YEFREMOV LUNCHEON, APRIL 29

1. FRENCH MINISTER KOENIG HAS PROMISED FULL ACCOUNT OF HIS AMBASSADOR'S LUNCHEON MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR YEFREMOV APRIL 29, BUT IN INTERIM (PRESUMABLY PENDING CLEARANCE WITH AMBASSADOR SAUVAGNARGUES) HE HAS GIVEN US FOLLOWING ACCOUNT OF HIGHLIGHTS:

A. YEFREMOV TOOK HARD LINE ON FEA WITHOUT HINTING AT POSSIBILITY OF COMPROMISE.

B. WHEN YEFREMOV RAISED BRUECKMANN CASE, AMBASSADOR SAUVAGNARGUES SAID THERE WAS NO DISAGREEMENT IN REGARD TO IMPORTANCE OF FRG CONSTITUTIONAL COURT'S RULINGS NOT BEING APPLIED IN BERLIN. HE INFORMED YEFREMOV THAT A LETTER CONTAINING ALLIED VIEWS WAS BEING DELIVERED THAT AFTERNOON, WHICH, HE ADDED, SHOULD SATISFY
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SOVIETS. SAUVAGNARGUES EMPHASIZED THAT THIS WAS NOT

INTENDED OTHERWISE TO PREJUDICE GERMAN JUDICIAL
PROCESS, AND DECISION WHETHER OR NOT TO SEND
BRUECKMANN BACK WOULD HAVE TO BE REACHED BY COURTS
IN ACCORDANCE WITH NORMAL PROCEEDINGS.

C. YEFREMOV SUGGESTED THAT IT WAS TIME FOR
GENERAL BAN ON NPD. SAUVAGNARGUES POINTED OUT THAT
MAJOR PARTY ACTIVITY HAD BEEN BANNED BY ALLIES IN
PAST; AS FAR AS HE COULD SEE, THIS HAD CAUSED NO
DIFFICULTY, AND THIS PRACTICE WOULD CONTINUE.

D. YEFREMOV RAISED SENAT-GDR CONFLICTS IN
REGARD TO WATERWAY SIGNS AND RAILWAY SIDINGS.
SAUVAGNARGUES REPLIED THAT IT WAS UNDERSTOOD DURING
QA NEGOTIATIONS THAT LEGAL POSITIONS OF TWO SIDES ON
THESE QUESTIONS DIFFERED, BUT THAT NO ATTEMPT
SHOULD BE MADE TO ALTER THEM. IT WAS IMPORTANT
TO CONTINUE TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS IN KEEPING
WITH THIS APPROACH.KLEIN

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